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Dodge County Public Health COVID-19 Update: Contain the Spread

Dodge Co, WI:

It does not take much effort to determine that Dodge County, and most of Wisconsin, is not only experiencing a surge in COVID-19 active cases, but the trend continues an upward climb. Locally, our Dodge County percent of positive tests, as shown on the Coronavirus Information Page of the Dodge County website, averages 26.88% (percent positive averages from October 5 – October 18, 2020). And the Wisconsin Department of Health Services (WI DHS) webpage dedicated to COVID-19 activity by region and county describe Dodge County as, "...very high case activity and trajectory showing growing in cases."

What each of us can do to mitigate this trend, and protect ourselves, our family, friends and community remains a consistent and clear message from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), WI DHS, and Dodge County Public Health. "We know how the virus spreads," said Dodge County Public Health Officer Abby Sauer. "COVID -19 spreads mainly from person to person via respiratory droplets produced when a person exhales. So everyone needs to continue to put at least six feet of distance between themselves and those not in their households. And we all need to cover our mouth and nose with a face cover or mask when we're in a public setting or among those not in our immediate household."

Dodge County Public Health will continue its role in contact tracing and testing. "Both testing and contact tracing must continue to occur in our effort to isolate, contain, and reduce the spread of COVID-19," says Sauer.

Recently, Dodge County announced a reoccurring COVID 19 Test Site in collaboration with the WI National Guard (WING). The site opened on October 19th, and will be open each Monday and Wednesday until further notice. Currently this site is located at 850 Mallard Drive, Mayville (vacant offices adjacent to the Dodge County Highway Shop). It is a walk-thru clinic available to any Wisconsin resident age 5 or older. Pre-registration is highly recommended at register.covidconnect.wi.gov. "When you visit our COVID 19 test site, be prepared to park your car and walk thru the building to get your test," says Sauer. "Please bring a face cover and make arrangements for children that aren't coming in to get tested so they are properly supervised in your vehicle."

Abby Sauer also notes, "Dodge County Public Health is currently working with a local health care provider in an effort to provide a different testing site that can provide a better walk thru environment for the public as the weather turns colder." Look for future notices that will inform you about the current status of a reoccurring COVID 19 test site in Dodge County.

To read the latest information about COVID-19 people can check the Dodge County Public Health Facebook page, the COVID 19 page of the Dodge Co website, the Wisconsin Department of Health Services (WI DHS) and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) websites.

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